Construction of Godowns of FCI in Rajasthan

830. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of godowns of the Food Corporation of India in Rajasthan and their capacity;

(b) whether these are sufficient for holding intended stock of foodgrains;

(c) whether Government has plans to construct more godowns in Rajasthan; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Food Corporation of India (FCI) is maintaining 56 godowns [Owned & Hired/Covered and Covered & Plinth (CAP)] spread in various parts of the Rajasthan with a total capacity of 8.91 lakh MT as on 31.1.2008 as detailed below: –

(*Capacity in Lakh MTs*)

Agency	No. of godowns	Capacity
I. Covered		
FCI Owned	35	7.06
Hired	05	0.22
II. Covered and Plinth (CAP)		
Owned	15	1.58
Hired	01	0.05
Total (Covered & CAP)	56	8.91

(b) Yes, Sir. The existing capacity available with FCI is sufficient for holding adequate stock of foodgrains.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

Requirement of wheat for distribution to BPL families

†831. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) in order to distribute wheat of cheap rate at existing level to BPL families, how much quantity of wheat is required, Statewise;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.